MAYOR'S REPORT May 2017

Fire Chief's interviews are underway. We have eleven great candidates and I will begin the interview process very shortly.

Building Commissioner's interviews are underway as well. Following the retirement of Fred Wyss, we are seeking an individual to do the Building and Zoning tasks for the City. This involves issuing permits, doing inspections, as well as enforcing property maintenance. We encourage residents to call City Hall if you see property maintenance violations in the interim, and we are ready to address them. We look forward to hiring someone for this position very soon.

Civil Service Commission will be administering Full-Time Police and Full-Time Fire examinations on Saturday, June 3, 2017. Good luck to all candidates.

The City went out to bid for two projects that will certainly be beneficial to our residents and motorists in our community. The first is for our 2017 Pavement Markings program, where all of the striping on our roads is redone. Pat Flowers, Inc. was awarded the contract as the lowest and best bid. They had also done our roads two years ago, when it was last bid out.

The second project was awarded to Specialized Construction and is the resurfacing of Rockefeller Road and Stark Drive. This project will serve to make driving much safer and enjoyable. We look forward to the fine work of Specialized Construction.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) project in Richmond Heights will soon affect our City as a temporary traffic signal was installed at the intersection of White and Bishop Roads. ODOT's anticipation of increased traffic as a result of rerouting traffic into our City made this necessary. Please excuse the inconvenience during this 120-day project. The temporary signal will be removed once the project is done.

A Memorial Day Ceremony was planned by our fine VFW and was held as an indoor event due to the rainy weather conditions. Special thanks to the Post and its Auxiliary for a great ceremony and luncheon.

In closing, I will congratulate all graduates and wish them a safe and happy summer!